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Application No. : 10/777,064

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For : LIGHT SOURCE APPARATUS FOR ENDOSCOPE

Mail Stop Amendment
 Group Art Unit : 3762

Examiner : J.L. Leubecker

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents
 U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
 Customer Service Window, Mail Stop Amendment
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a **Response under 37 C.F.R. 1.111** in the above-captioned application.

☐ Small Entity Status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a previously filed statement.

☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

☐ An Information Disclosure Statement, PTO Form 1449, and references cited.

☐ A Request for Extension of Time.

☒ No additional fee is required.

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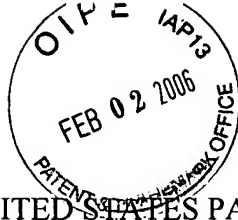
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Sir :

In response to the Official Action of November 3, 2005, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on February 3, 2006, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections, as well as an indication of the allowability of each of the claims now pending

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.